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TIER ONE: Aggressively pursue. Full State and Federal commitment to these projects.

Shasta Lake Enlargement 290 TAF \$150 million
USBR conduct evaluations/designs necessary to lead to an operable project within the next 5-7
years. USBR will cooperate with DWR on technical and economic studies. Secure federal
authorization for advanced planning (including NEPA/CEQA compliance) and engineering
design authority. Congressional write-in for authorization will be required to maintain schedule.
Resolve potential conflicts with California law regarding state/CALFED participation.

In-Delta Storage 238 TAF \$650 million Conduct joint DWR/USBR/local partnership evaluations (appraisal, advanced planning & feasibility studies)/designs necessary to lead to an operable project within 3 to 5 years. Determine requirements for additional NEPA/CEQA review for implementation of Delta Wetlands. Allocate \$12 million over next 3 years for advanced planning/feasibility studies, CEQA/NEPA, permitting including resolution of levee seepage and potential TOC-related water quality concerns.

Los Vaqueros Reservoir Enlargement 300-400 TAF \$700 million Conduct joint DWR/USBR/local partnership evaluations to lead to a decision on implementation of new near Delta storage, with primary focus on Los Vaqueros Reservoir Enlargement, to find a solution to Bay Area blending for water quality and water supply reliability. Immediately initiate joint DWR/USBR/local partnership reconnaissance study as a component of a Bay Area regional blending study.

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TIER TWO: Pursue through further studies. Decision to proceed could occur in Stage 1.

Sites Reservoir 1.8 MAF \$870-1,400 million
Develop partnership agreements with GCID and other local entities to develop the project.

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Continue funding to complete the feasibility study and a joint DWR/USBR NEPA/CEQA review.

Millerton Lake Enlargement 720 TAF \$1,200 million Initiate joint USBR/DWR/local partnership appraisal study to improve cost estimates, clarify implementation issues, and explore alternative means to achieve project benefits. This project should be considered in the context of broader San Joaquin River water management (flow and habitat restoration, flood management, conjunctive use, reservoir reoperation and water transfers. Secure federal authorization for a joint USBR/DWR/local partnership feasibility study and NEPA/CEQA review in FY 2002, contingent on appraisal study findings.

TIER THREE: No further action at this time.

Ingram Canyon Reservoir up to 1 MAF \$1,700 million
Complete DWR estimates of costs, benefits and impacts through the ISI, then no further action.

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